

- economical management and operation of the shared centers, services, and the integrated State telecommunications network;
- (5) With the approval of the Information Resources Management Commission, to adopt plans, policies, procedures, and rules for the acquisition, management, and use of information technology resources in the departments affected by this subdivision to facilitate more efficient and economic use of information technology in these departments;
 - (6) To develop and promote training programs to efficiently implement, use, and manage information technology resources; and
 - (7) To provide cities, counties, and other local governmental units with access to ~~Division~~ Office of Information Technology Services information resource centers and services as authorized in this section for State agencies. Access shall be provided on the same cost basis that applies to State agencies.

The Department of Revenue is authorized to deviate from this subsection's requirements that departments or agencies consolidate information processing functions on equipment owned, controlled or under custody of the ~~Division~~ Office of Information Technology Services. All deviations from this subsection's requirements shall be reported in writing within 15 days by the Department of Revenue to the Information Resources Management Commission and shall be consistent with available funding. The Department of Revenue is authorized to adopt and shall adopt plans, policies, procedures, requirements and rules for the acquisition, management, and use of information processing equipment, information processing programs, data communications capabilities, and information systems personnel in the Department of Revenue. If the plans, policies, procedures, requirements, rules, or standards adopted by the Department of Revenue deviate from the policies, procedures, or guidelines adopted by the ~~Division~~ Office of Information Technology Services or the Information Resources Management Commission, those deviations shall be allowed and shall be reported in writing within 15 days by the Department of Revenue to the Information Resources Management Commission. The Department of Revenue and the ~~Division~~ Office of Information Technology Services shall develop data communications capabilities between the two computer centers utilizing the North Carolina Integrated Network, subject to a security review by the Secretary of Revenue.

The Department of Revenue shall prepare a plan to allow for substantial recovery and operation of major, critical computer applications. The plan shall include the names of the computer programs, databases, and data communications capabilities, identify the maximum amount of outage that can occur prior to the initiation of the plan and resumption of operation. The plan shall be consistent with commonly accepted practices for disaster recovery in the